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LOK SABHA

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REVIEW OF SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have reviewed the performance of all the Centrally sponsored schemes under the Ministry;

(b) if so, the details of outcome;

(c) whether a proposal to transfer some of the schemes to the States is under consideration of the Government; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL)

(a) & (b) The Performance of Centrally Sponsored Schemes of the Ministry of Rural Development is reviewed constantly for which a comprehensive Monitoring system has been put in place. The mechanisms of performance review include review by Union Ministers with Chief Ministers of the State, Performance Review Committees, Area Officers Scheme, Vigilance & Monitoring Committees at State and District Levels, District Level Monitors, National Level Monitors, Concurrent and Quick Evaluation Studies and Impact Assessment Studies. The outcome of these reviews is utilized for necessary policy interventions at different levels.

(c) & (d) On the basis of the suggestions made by the Planning Commission, the Ministry of Rural Development had undertaken a Zero Based Budgeting exercise after which a few of the Centrally Sponsored Schemes of this Ministry were either transferred to States or were restructured. At present only limited number of Centrally Sponsored Schemes of national priorities are being implemented by the Ministry of Rural Development and as such there is no proposal to transfer these schemes to the States.